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Third Street Under Highway 91 to Close for 6-8 Weeks Starting Monday

Caltrans project to clean and preserve freeway overcrossings continues

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – Third Street between Vine and Mulberry streets will be closed starting Monday (5/9) as Caltrans continues its effort to clean and preserve the underbelly of Highway 91 where it crosses major streets in Riverside.

All vehicle traffic on Third Street under the freeway will be closed during the work period, which is scheduled to start Monday and take 6-8 weeks. Pedestrian access will be maintained during construction activities. No night or weekend work is scheduled.

A similar project on Mission Inn Avenue is expected to be completed Monday, opening the door for the Third Street project to start. Caltrans and the City previously agreed that the work should be done sequentially, with no two streets closed at the same time.

Once the Third Street project is completed in late June or early July, the same sort of work will be started on Brockton Avenue/Mary Street under Highway 91. Similar traffic closures are expected there as well.

The work on all three overcrossings is designed to extend the life of each structure. Each overcrossing will receive a pressure wash, spot blast cleaning, and new paint. Caltrans awarded the contract to C.L. Industrial Coatings, Inc.

Residents are advised to use alternate routes. Advanced warning signs will be placed to inform motorists of closures. Plan ahead and rideshare if possible.